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SUBJ: STATUS OF FORMER CELU OFFICIALS

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1. BEYENE SOLOMON, FORMER PRESIDENT OF CONFEDERATION OF ETHIOPIAN LABOR UNIONS (CELU) AND WORKERS' REPRESENTATIVE ON ILO GOVERNING BODY (GB) MAY HAVE RECEIVED CLEARANCE TO ATTEND GB MEETING IN GENEVA BUT DID NOT RECEIVED REQUIRED ETHIOPIAN EXIT VISA.

2. FORMER CELU SEC GEN, FISSEHA TEKIE, APPARENTLY IN PMAC CHAIRMAN MENGISTU'S FAVOR AT PRESENT TIME. RELIABLE SOURCE REPORTS FISSEHA HAS HAD TWO OR THREE PERSONAL MEETINGS WITH MENGISTU AND MENGISTU FAVORABLY IMPRESSED. SOURCE SPECULATED MENGISTU HAD FUTURE PLANS FOR FISSEHA BECAUSE MENGISTU HAD IMPRESSION FISSEHA "COOPERATIVE".

3. FORMER CELU VICE-PRESIDENT, GIDEY GEBRE, CURRENTLY EMPLOYED AT BARATTOLO TEXTILE FACTORY IN ASMARA AND CONSIDERED "SAFE" BY SOURCE. EMBASSY HAS BEEN UNABLE TO LEARN WHETHER BEYENE AND FISSEHA ACTUALLY HAD BEEN DENIED PERMISSION TO CONFIDENTIAL

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LEAVE ETHIOPIA AT AIRPORT. IN LIGHT OF CURRENT IMMIGRATION PRACTICES IT NOT LIKELY THEY WOULD HAVE GONE TO AIRPORT WITHOUT REQUISITE PAPERS.

4. DESPITE BEYENE'S INABILITY TO ATTEND ILO GB MEETINGS IT UNLIKELY ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT WILL REPLACE HIM AT THIS TIME. THERE REALIZATION BY EPMG THAT ETHIOPIA

RETAINS WORKERS' REPRESENTATIVE POSITION ON ILO GB BECAUSE
BEYENE POPULAR AMONG ILO WORKERS AND IF BEYENE WERE
REMOVED ETHIOPIA WOULD RISK LOSING POSITION.
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